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Jay --

SHould we have a response for Aldridge...  
perhaps a "CC" ????

NRO Review Completed.

Carol  
5 June 85

yes

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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** O/DCI  
**FROM:** EA/DDCI

The DDCI concurs with Pete Aldridge's response -- see attached. He does not think there should be any public references to reconnaissance activities because they remain classified.

**Att:**

**Date 2 May 1985**

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(S) NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

23 April 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

25X1 SUBJECT: Proposal [ ] (Your memo, 11 April 1985)

25X1 I received your letter along with [ ] proposal to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the nation's initial success in using space technology for reconnaissance and verification.

I understand Bill's motivation and agree in principle with trying to honor those early pioneers from the 1945-60's time frame, particularly those getting on in years. However, I am a little uncomfortable with an open forum which could become a media event with potentially unfortunate security consequences.

As you may recall, we celebrated the first twenty years of the NRO in 1981. It was a well attended affair but was held at the CIA and attendance controlled. A twenty-fifth anniversary of satellite reconnaissance, (based on successful recovery of DISCOVERER XIV on 18 August 1960), could be held under similar ground rules, and at that time perhaps the President, the Vice President or you could acknowledge selected pioneers.

If you concur in this approach, I will have my staff do some preliminary planning and get back to you in a few weeks. Could you identify a point of contact?



E. C. Aldridge, Jr.

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